



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

Plutzky, et al.

Appl. No.: 09/940,858

Filed: August 29, 2001

For: **Oxidized Forms of Retinoic Acid as Ligands
for Peroxisome Proliferator Activated
Receptor Gamma**

Group Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: Channavajjala, L.

Atty. Dkt. 7570/73230
(Formerly 81994/282421)

Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
2011 South Clark Place
Customer Window
Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03
Arlington, VA 22202

RECEIVED

OCT 30 2003

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-captioned application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of the present response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of the present response.